

County of Placer Foresthill Forum

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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – Approved 8/1/2022

Monday, July 11, 2022

1. Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance: 6:59pm

2. Welcome & Introduction of Members:

Chase Dowling - Chair, Stephen Smith – Vice-chair, Larry Jordan, Gail McCafferty, Sharon Page, Debbie Sanchez, Joshua Miller

3. Action Item(s):

A. Approval of July 11, 2022 Agenda:

MOTION: Smith/Miller 7/0 to approve Agenda with changes to move section 6 C to Section 6 A

AYES: Dowling, Smith, Jordan, McCafferty, Sanchez, Miller, Page

ABSENT:

B. Approval of June 6,2022 Minutes:

MOTION: Jordan/Miller 7/0 to approve Minutes as is.

AYES: Dowling, Smith, Jordan, McCafferty, Sanchez, Miller, Page

ABSENT:

4. Public Comment:

1. Sheri Wicks – Spoke on behalf of Foresthill residents for responsible growth. Inquiring about the project that is being done between everybody's Inn and Monte Verde Inn. They have concerns regarding the project. It used to be Foresthill Heights project, nothing new is showing online regarding what is happening. Would like some information about the project and county updates. Has the county been notified?

5. Forum Member Comments:

- 1. Larry Jordan would like to get the Forest Service back to the Forum. It's been 3 years and would like some information regarding Robinson Flat Campground. Has concerns regarding Recology price changes. Lots of debris is dumped on our roads and we are being charged to clean it up. Can they raise our rates or add in quarterly dumping for large items? Local, Andy Fecko was appointed to Nationwide wildfire resource board he works with PCWA and this is a huge asset for our community.
- 2. Steve Smith Thanked Cindy and Gail for the fabulous new dog park.
- **3.** Sharon Page Remember August 6th and 7th is the Annual Foresthill Fireman's garage sale.
- **4.** Gail McCafferty Thank you community for coming to give Steve Stevenson a great celebration of life.

The MAC is composed of appointed community members whose purpose is to advise the Board of Supervisors about activities and problems of the area represented. Residents are encouraged to attend and talk about issues important to them. More info at www.placer.ca.gov/bos/macs. Placer County is committed to ensuring that persons with disabilities are provided the resources to participate fully in public meeting. If you require disability-related modifications or accommodations, including auxiliary aid or services, to attend or participate in this meeting, please contact the Board of Supervisor's Office.



5. Chase Dowling – As far as Forest Service can we get them agendized vs. just their monthly reports. He did speak to them regarding Robinson flat being shut down due to hazardous trees.

6. Reports:

A. County Report: Supervisor Gustafson – Introduced Steve Gayfield and had him give a quick introduction of himself and his background. He is the New Parks and Open Space Director. Gave an Elections update. Went over what was covered in the June 21st Board of Supervisors Meeting, June 28th Board of Supervisors meeting, and what was on the agenda for the July 12th Board of Supervisors meeting. Gave updates regarding the Getaway project, Still awaiting information from them to be fully submitted. They will need a full EIR report so the Forum may see them possibly this fall at a Forum meeting. AT&T cell Tower appealed to the planning commission with a September hearing date. Mountain Shadows retreat was approved for 3 buildings and the requested added number of events. Vinewood court resurfacing probably August or September. Placer county ranked as one of the Nation's healthiest communities and California's 3rd. Went over 2022 assessment roll updates, regional homelessness response and point-in-time count release updates. The Ponderossa Way and Mountain Quarry Bridge projects updates, the Highway 49 bridge debris removal project. The debris will finally be removed. And the American river Confluence community Meeting July 14th. Looking at a plan with El Dorado county for 49 in the canyon.

B. Public Safety:

- 1. Placer County Sheriff's Department: Sergeant Griffiths Gave report numbers for the month. There have been no calls regarding motorcycles so far.
- 2. CHP: Officer Kelly Gave area report numbers then specific numbers for Foresthill. Hoping to get 2 vehicles recovered from the side of Mosquito ridge road. Contact the office with any complaints or concerns 916-663-3344. Staffing is slowly improving.
- 3. U.S. Forest Service: Not in Attendance
- 4. CalFIRE: Division Chief Rufenacht Gave report numbers for June then statewide totals for the year. We are up from last year. Spoke about a few medical rescues. Cal Fire is fully staffed. There was an accident in Lincoln with one of our local engines and we will have a replacement engine until it is fixed. It's getting really warm, know your ways out of the area, have a go bag ready, and keep your gas tanks full.
- 5. Foresthill Fire Protection District: Deputy Chief Matcham Gave report numbers for the month. There is about a 15% increase from last year to this year in volume. Briefly spoke about response times and ability to respond to multiple calls at



once. Chief Ridley has retired. As of now Chief Matcham is acting as interim Chief. August 3rd the new Chief will be announced. Spoke regarding some staffing issues and hiring plans. Spoke regarding grants put in for. The Fireman's Garage Sale will be happening the 6th and 7th of August. There are Board seats that will be coming up open soon. A Blue-Ribbon commission is being put together to work with the department. Don't forget our radio station AM 1020. Tyler Harkness is currently in a care home and taking cards.

- **6. Foresthill Fire Safe Council:** Chase Dowling For tree mortality concerns please contact Gary Kirk at 530-320-4454. Waiting for fall for a beetle kill project.
- 7. Placer County Fish & Game Commission: Frances Ragle Came to answer any questions regarding the letter sent from the Fish & Game Commission to the Forest Service regarding multiple concerns in the area. For any questions or concerns you can contact Frances Ragle at 530-906-2144

C. Committees & Community:

- 1. Foresthill Union School District: Not in Attendance
 - 2. Parks & Trails Subcommittee: Gail McCafferty The New Dog park is open now. Next month will be the Parks & Trails meeting if you'd like to attend. At the Veterans Hall In the small room 6:00pm before the Forum meeting.
 - 3. Foresthill Chamber of Commerce / Economic Development Council: Not in Attendance
 - 4. Foresthill PUD: Not in Attendance
- 7. Information/Non-Action Item(s): None
- **8.** Adjournment: 8:11pm to next tentative meeting on August 1, 2022.